

# QUEEN ANNE COBBLESTONE

JANUARY, 2011

## *MOHAI's move to South Lake Union*

*Set Your Calendar: Thursday, Jan. 27, 7pm*

The Queen Anne Historical Society will meet Thursday, Jan. 27th at the Seattle Church of Christ, 2555 8th Ave West, at 7 pm.

Leonard Garfield, Director of the Museum of History and Industry will speak about the plans for MOHAI to move to the old Naval Reserve facility on south Lake



FORMER NAVY ARMORY ON SOUTH LAKE UNION ... NEW HOME TO MOHAI.

Union.

This move will greatly change the museum's face to the world. The

meeting is free and open to the public.

The Society has been a long-time supported of MOHAI activities and initiatives.

The meeting is free to the public, as always. Further information may be obtained by calling (206) 438-2740 or (206) 284-2266, or email [help@qahistory.org](mailto:help@qahistory.org).

### **SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:**

- ◆ MOHAI's move to Lake Union ... learn about it on Thursday, Jan 27
- ◆ Your favorite annual dues time ... see insert.
- ◆ 100 years ago: Children's Hospital expands
- ◆ 50 years ago: A home is transformed into Bayview
- ◆ Looking ahead: Mimi Sheridan speaks on May 26

## *Charles A. Kinnear*

Read inside about the legacy of the uniformed soldier in the middle, Charles A. Kinnear.

Captain George Kinnear had organized a group of men in 1885 — the Home Guard — to resist mobs that had formed to force Chinese deportations. Charles was a member.

This photo was taken in 1887, and is courtesy the Museum of History and Industry.

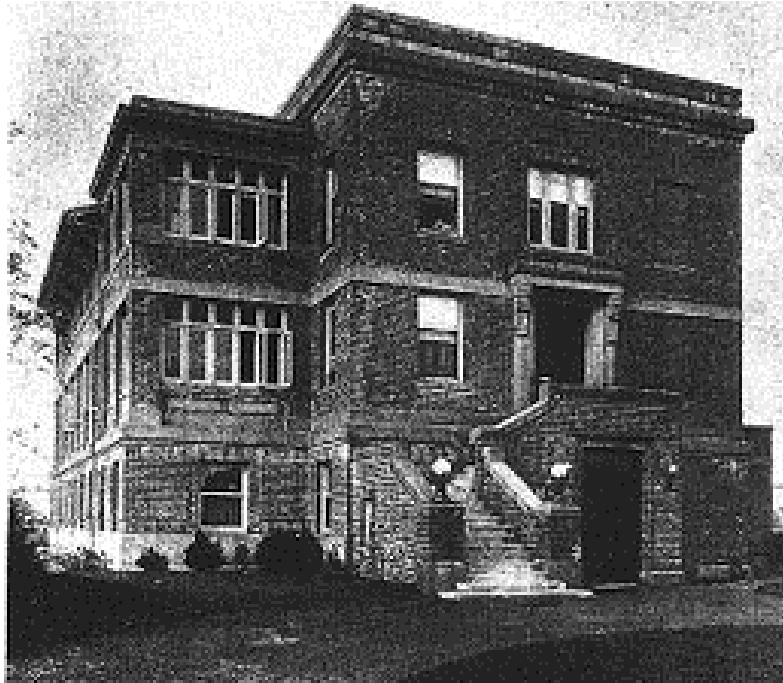


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## 100 Years Ago: Children's Hospital expands

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TAKE LEAD IN  
LANDMARKING OF  
VILLA COSTELLA



**100 YEARS AGO ON THE HILL: CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL MOVES TO NEW BUILDING (COURTESY HISTORYLINK.ORG)**

On September 8, 1911, Children's Orthopedic Hospital opens in a brick, three-story building on Warren Avenue near Crockett Street on Queen Anne Hill. The structure is built with funds raised by the trustees of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital Association and has 29 beds. The trustees

will eventually add another floor (1921), a new wing (1928), and a three-story nurses' residence (1924). In 1954, the hospital will move to Laurelhurst where it will eventually become Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center.

In 1907, 23 women gathered to

form the Children's Orthopedic Hospital Association to provide for the medical needs of crippled children. With funds solicited from supporters and with doctors who donated their time, the trustees began with seven beds in the maternity ward at Seattle General Hospital. In 1908, the trustees opened the 12-bed Fresh Air Cottage on Queen Anne. The new hospital was designed by Seattle Architect Marbury W. Somervell (1872-1939).

After the hospital moved to Laurelhurst in 1954, the Queen Anne building was sold to King County and operated as a unit of the County Hospital. In the 1980s, the building became Queen Anne Manor, an assisted living residence for senior citizens.

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## QAHS instrumental in landmarking of Villa Costella

A big thanks to Queen Anne Historical Society board members **Leanne Olson** and **Char Eggleston** for their tenacious support of landmark status for Villa Costella.

Many nominations take several years to accomplish. In this case, Leanne and Char worked tirelessly for 3 years to accomplish this.



## 50 Years Ago: Kinnear's Legacy

George Kinnear has had a profound influence on Queen Anne Hill, from its parks and drives to its institutions and legacies.

His son, Charles A. Kinnear, followed suit, providing an important focus for the Hill's more advanced citizens.

"Early Seattle Charles A. Kinnear bequeathed his family's historic property to the First United Methodist Church for the care of older adults and children. The Methodist Church worked with the community to create a ten-story residential facility, which was augmented in 1995 by a Wellness Center, Rehabilitation and Health Center, and Intergenerational Children's Center." (From Bayview Retirement Center website).

The transition of homes into institutions to serve the ever-

burgeoning populations of urban areas is a central challenge of historical groups. While a

grand home was lost, a great service to the Hill was thereby provided.

**KINNEAR HOUSE, LOCATION NOW HOME TO BAYVIEW RETIREMENT COMMUNITY (FROM QAHIISTORY.ORG, OUR WEBSITE)**



### OUR MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE QUEEN ANNE HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS TO RECORD AND PRESERVE, IN PERMANENT FORM, THE HISTORY OF THE SETTLING OF THE QUEEN ANNE COMMUNITY IN SEATTLE, WA AND TO DEVELOP WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AN APPRECIATION AND CONCERN FOR ITS HISTORY AND ITS HISTORICAL SITES.

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### *Kim's Musings ... snowed in, snowmen out.*

Recent snow fall reminded me of many previous years when the snow stuck.

My first snowman was constructed in 1946 in the back yard of the brick house at 1202 Fifth Avenue North. That was the same place from which my parents held the wonderful WW II holiday parties and invited locally based troops to share with us.

We continued building snow people on Queen Anne for the better part of the next ten years, as our winters always contained some days of snow which stuck.

1949 and 1950 were memorable, as we then lived in the house at the foot of the stairs

on Third Avenue North, 910. We had "the Woods" up above us from which to build snow forts and snow people. My cousins were living with us at the time so it was great fun, until we got too cold and had to come inside.

Yes, we had hot chocolate with which to get warm, and always in winter, logs burning in the fireplace.

I managed to catch my first dose of pneumonia during the blizzard of January 1950, and spent the better part of three weeks at home recuperating.

Even so, I have always liked winters in Seattle, because we never knew when the snow would hit. It was occasional

that Warren Avenue School would close early and we would struggle through the ever-mounting snow to cross Mercer Street and head up Third to home; later on all the way over to Sixth Avenue North, where we moved in February, 1952.

We lived at 1207 for the next seven years, enjoying a huge back yard, and the old Lake Union Golf Course up past Galer Street on Sixth North. But that's another story. Happy New Year 2011 to all our members and their families and friends!

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